

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 302
By Wilder

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Geneva Sue Reddick
on the celebration of her 80th birthday.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pay tribute to those citizens who are celebrating special occasions in their estimable lives; and

WHEREAS, Geneva Sue Reddick will celebrate her 80th birthday on May 26, 2003, a milestone that will be commemorated as yet another precious souvenir of life's rich pageant; and

WHEREAS, the daughter of Tollie and Mamie Turnage and granddaughter of Marshall and Lida Riddick, Geneva Sue Reddick was born and raised in Crockett County, and attended Lambuth College in Jackson after graduating from Crockett High School; and

WHEREAS, a great patriot, Geneva Sue Reddick served her country with honor and poise, working on the airbase in Halls during World War II; and

WHEREAS, a long-time resident of Crockett County, Geneva Sue Reddick is a highly respected member of the community; and

WHEREAS, for many years, Geneva Sue Reddick served with acumen and alacrity as a cafeteria manager for Maury City Schools; she was widely known and respected by everyone in the school community and was loved by the children; and

WHEREAS, never one to shirk her personal sense of duty, Mrs. Reddick left a brief retirement to attend the needs of those at the Crockett County Senior Citizen Center for fifteen years; and

WHEREAS, on December 20, 1941, Geneva Sue was joined in marriage with James F. Reddick, and the couple's blessed union produced three children, Joan and her husband Glenn Swift, June and her husband Tommy Jones, and James Reddick, Jr., who has passed on to his great reward; and

WHEREAS, she is affectionately known as "Granny Sue" to her grandchildren, Matt Swift, Amy Evangelisti, Jody Jones, David Swift, Stacy Swift, Beth Jones, Leslie Swift, and Raymond Evangelisti, and her great-grandchildren, Madelyn Jones, Lauren Swift, Lexi Swift, Cole Swift, Thomas Swift, and Olivia Jones; and

WHEREAS, a deeply spiritual woman, Geneva Sue Reddick is a devout member of Maury City Methodist Church where she teaches Sunday school and sings in the choir; and

WHEREAS, as Geneva Sue Reddick approaches her ninth decade, she is still an active and productive member of society, well known to friends, neighbors, and loved ones as a patriotic citizen, a devoted mother and grandmother, a learned student of history and genealogy, a talented singer, a magnificent cook, a globetrotter with tales that capture the imagination, a music enthusiast, a skilled seamstress and quilt-maker, an able gardener, and a woman who truly never meets a stranger; and

WHEREAS, we wish to grasp this golden opportunity to specially recognize one of Tennessee's most outstanding citizens on this very special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we congratulate Geneva Sue Reddick on celebrating the milestone of her 80th birthday and wish her many more fulfilling years.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.